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AFTER SCHOOL, WHAT?

A nice looking group and an intelligent class of graduates received their diplomas at Summer High School last week. The parents and friends of these pupils sat with beating hearts as they witnessed the closing exercises and saw their love ones perform certain tasks in further evidence of having finished the prescribed course laid down by the Board of Education. They finished their work, they departed for their several homes, midst compliments and congratulations; many of them having already selected the College where they expect to enter in pursuit of higher education. This is all good and well, but there are those who will meet many discouraging words. They will be told that it is of no use to try to go farther; they will be told that the sacrifice is too great. The financial problem will be magnified before them, the voice of their teacher, who had so often told them to go higher, will become faint to their ears and finally some of that class will disappear, will close their eyes to their own possibilities and write their own defeat.

To the youth who may think that he cannot go farther in his or her pursuit of higher education, we will say that the world is full of those who can make or give excuses, the road on which you are to travel is crowded and competition along any line that you are able to pursue is keen.

There is room at the top. There never was a greater demand for men and women who really know something. Men fully qualified to fill two and three thousand dollar positions are hard to find. The government, as well as many private institutions, are always looking for capable men and women.

If there is any one in the class that graduated last week who is inclined to be satisfied, we will say again: you are the architect of your own fortune; your success or failure rests with yourself. Climb higher, there is room at the top.

WHAT WILL THE GOVERNMENT DO?

We told the story last week of the possibility of the Negroes who were registered June the fifth, being actually drafted into service of the United States Army, without being given a chance to volunteer their services in defense of their country.

We have since that time tried to pacify ourselves with the thought, and hope, that the war department at Washington would not further try to humiliate her black subjects by placing such a stigma upon them at this time. If the Negro had been given the opportunity to volunteer his services, and by his indifference or lack of interest in the safety of the nation in a crisis, refused to heed the solicitations of the government, as did all the other races, then to conscript him and draft him would have been the right and just thing for the government to do. But he has not been given that chance, he wants the same chance of freedom in selecting any branch of the army, as other men. He does not think that the death of a major is too severe for him to die; he does not think that the death of a marine or aviator is too severe for him to die. According to Washington dispatches, it is the intention of the war department to start drafting about July first, still there has been no opportunity given the many thousand men and youth of the Negro race to volunteer to do their hit.

Surely somebody has made a mistake. Such discriminations on the part of the national government are painful. They cut deep, they leave a wound that is not easily healed.

We had no chance to escape the conscription. We were required by law to register just as all other men in the prescribed age. Now we want the same chance to volunteer our services as other are begged to do.

WAR TALK.

With England facing defeat within eight months, France already on its last legs, Russia talking separate peace, Japan inactive, and Mexico feeling revengeful, it seems now certain that the war cloud is the heaviest over the head of the United States.

All of this talk from some of the highest officials about the United States being in this war for humanity's sake, and on account of our high sense for the love of right and justice; reminds us of what Abraham Lincoln the great emancipator said: "You cannot fool all the people all the time."

CRIME CONDEMNED.

There seems to be no excuse for the assault and murder of a seven year old little Pearl Newbold last Sunday by Walter Digg, twenty-nine years old, only that he is a brutal man of brutal nature, low instinct and depraved mind.

That Digg is irrational is borne out by the fact that he made a very meager pretense at concealing the crime and the boldness of his confession. Yet in view of the fact that he has been responsible for his acts in the past, he deserves condemnation on the part of public conscience, and the most severe penalty of the law.

CHURCHES TAKE NOTICE

On account of the demand for space in the Argus all church notices published free hereafter, will be limited to two inches, or 100 words. All over that amount will be charged for at the rate of 25 cents per inch, or one-half cent per word. First page notices at regular rate.

ST. PAUL A. M. E. CHURCH

St. Paul was well filled last Sunday with earnest worshippers. The deacon, Dr. Johnson, selected for the discussion, Rom. 8:14: "For as many as are led by the spirit of God are the sons of God." His sermon was timely and listened to with much earnestness by those present and their appreciation was expressed in hearty applause. The difference between led and pulled or driven was well defined. He showed the impossibility of being led when led by the Holy Spirit. The day with the church during the day Dr. J. W. Sexton, our former pastor was a pleasant worshiper with us on Sunday morning. Visitors and strangers to the city were welcome.

MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

1429 N. 12th St.
Every lover of southern hospitality is compelled to be with us all day Sunday in our first grand hall of the season.

A feast of good things, both for the spirit and bodily good, will be served at this grand old southern home; you will find here the large and general heart of the Southland.

The Tabernacle Church Sunday evening was well attended, and the members of both morning and night were quite up to the occasion.

To stay away Sunday, June 24, 1912, means to get it.

Rev. D. W. Morris, Pastor

SEVEN CHURCH BAPTIST UNION

Met at the El Bethel Baptist Church Monday night, June 18. The meeting was a good one. The sermon by Rev. L. E. Motton was indeed a good one. Text found in Kings 18 chapter, part of the sermon, "Behold thy son, I will bring him to thee." Hail, Yea! Hail, Two Opinions!" Remarked by the president. There is beginning to be an increase in the attendance of the union and the general interest is being manifested, next meeting will be at the Mt. Olive Baptist Church, 1405 Morgan Street, Rev. A. Dixon, pastor. Rev. G. W. Hart, Pres. W. B. Lovell, Secy.

Rev. L. E. Motton, Secy.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY TO THE SEVEN CHURCH BAPTIST UNION

The women had a wonderful meeting at El Bethel Baptist Church Monday evening, June 18. The meeting was a good one. All the Baptist church come and assist in this great work. When you began to ask the question, What are these women doing? We want you to come and see, for we are doing a good work. We are trying to build a sinking fund to help the poor and the needy. Also the Baptist church that are in helping the less fortunate, to come out to Sampson Avenue Baptist Church, the second Sunday in July, to our Rally, where we mean to raise \$200 on that Sunday for our treasures. We want to go down in history as the memorial women of Baptists. Our selected Sunday was 6/14. Singing, Benediction, A. Hall, President; B. Coker, Secretary.

THE CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH ITEMS

This coming Sunday at Central there will be a special service. In the morning the services will be conducted with reference to the great cause now on at Central. Dr. Stevens will preach. Special musical program by the choir. In the afternoon the Lord's Supper will be observed by the membership. At night there will be a special service. The services are set for at o'clock the life of Christ in moving pictures will be shown. On Monday night June 25, at 8 o'clock, the Central Brotherhood will hold an important meeting. On Wednesday night, June 27, there will be a great meeting of the brothers and sisters of the church, looking to everything necessary to bring the sum of money needed by the first Sunday in July.

WATKIN A. M. E.

A. P. Brown
Beginning with 5 o'clock prayer service Sunday morning, we will regularly list up the whole day. At the morning service our pastor preached from the subject, "The Wedding garment." Our Quarterly Conference and rally will be the fourth Sunday in July. We hope to have a large number of our sister churches. Sisters will be coming into our ranks in large numbers to hear the powerful and instructive sermons preached by our beloved pastor, Rev. A. E. Dobkins.

ST. JAMES CHURCH

The auditory and lecture room were filled to overflowing Sunday morning. The pastor was at his best and the large congregation was amply rewarded. He preached a wonderful

sermon from the sixth chapter of Judges. Theme, "Presentation of Samson in the House of Gideon." He vividly portrayed the life and character of this mighty man of valor.

The spirit of "federation" is born in St. James. A delegation of 36 attended the meeting held at Olivet Chapel, June 20, last Thursday evening. On Sunday afternoon a large number of officers and members attended the Quarterly Meeting at St. Peter's Church, at which time Mrs. Susie Robinson, president of the Junior Banners, Board, answered the roll call and \$25.00 on the table, the donation from Olivet Chapel. A plenary session of Quarterly Conference was held Friday night. The reports showed all departments in splendid condition, having over \$200 in their treasuries.

There are few churches where a spirit of unity exists as does in St. James. You are cordially invited to attend all services. You will be sure to receive a blessing.

A. M. E. ZION CONFERENCE

The 28th session of the Missouri Annual Conference of A. M. E. Zion Church, held in Kansas City, is reported to have been a success in every way. Nearly all papers made excellent reports. Rev. S. D. Davis, who has served in this conference for four years, and two years preceding Elder of the St. Louis District, is transferred to the Indiana Conference, to take charge of the First Church, Indianapolis. W. K. Young, our former conference, Dr. E. G. Shaw was turned to Metropolitan Church for a seventh term.

PROVIDENCE BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES

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SOCIETY

AND LOCAL NOTES

Mrs. J. M. Hall, 408 1-2 Monroe, convalescent, after two weeks' absence.

Mr. Geo. Street, 4290 Finney, is guest of relatives in Clarksville, Ind.

Jr. Chas. Stewart, the Associated Press Agent, was a visitor in the city last week.

Russell L. Evans, of 3419 Pine, is spending his vacation in the city.

Miss Harriet Lamb, of 4035 West Pl., is spending her vacation in country, taking a much-needed rest.

Postal Alliance piege, given in Union Park Tuesday, June 19, was very enjoyable affair.

Little Floyd Gordon, son of Mr. and W. C. Gordon of Coto Brillante, recovered from diphtheria.

Mrs. Bettie Willford, of Cadiz, Ky., the guest of her sister, Mrs. C. L. Baker, 4033 West Belle.

Mrs. Chas. Brown, 1287 Suter Ave., will entertain the Informal Dance Saturday, June 3.

Dr. J. A. Simpson, 4420 Cottage, was the guest of Prof. King in Collinsville last Sunday.

Miss Sarah Bartlett, of 2827 Lucas Ave., is able to put up after an extended illness.

Mrs. Maria Wesley, of 4234 N. Market St., left Thursday, June 21, to visit relatives at Nashville, Tenn.

Miss Ardell C. Edwards, 2205 Market, who has been visiting friends in Sedalia, Mo., has returned to St. Louis French.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Evans, 4310 West Belle, departed Monday for Fort Wayne, Indiana, to be the guests of relatives.

Miss Ella Wilson, of New Madrid, Mo., is in the city visiting her aunt, Mrs. Lucy Donald, of 2643 Lawton Avenue.

Mr. Wm. H. Smith, of 4533 West Belle Pl., departed for Huntsville, Ala., and other points south, Friday evening.

Rev. J. H. Garner has been appointed by the Missouri Conference to Perry, Iowa, where he will take charge of the A. M. E. Zion Church.

Wm. L. Hussey, proprietor of the Alabama Kitchen, 1039 N. 49th, reports that he was robbed of \$900 and a revolver Monday morning while asleep.

Mrs. Jim Whitman and son, Launcene, of 4278 Lucky St., will depart Saturday for Metropolis, Ill., to visit relatives and friends.

Mrs. H. A. Smith has returned home, after spending several days with her son, Mrs. Edmund Whited, who is quite ill in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Josephine Thomas, of Laclede Avenue, who has been quite ill, is convalescing at the home of her sister, Mrs. A. H. Beale, 4251 St. Ferdinand.

Miss Willetta V. Toler, of 1707A Goodale Ave., will go to Little Rock, Ark., to visit friends. She will visit relatives at Peoria, Ill., before returning.

Mrs. W. H. Morgan, of Chicago, Ill., returned home Wednesday night, after attending the funeral of Miss Mabel Cleora Pendleton, for whom she was godmother.

Mr. W. H. Mosby, druggist at Jefferson and Wash., young son, Houston and L. T. Montgomery, have returned from a three months' visit with relatives in Mound Bayou, Miss.

The Colored Ladies' Military Drill Corps, organized by Mrs. Doris E. Bowdoin, 4157 W. Belle Pl., will start training next week. The organization is seeking enlisting.

Miss Virvia Hunter, 4606 Cook, Summer High School instructor, and Mrs. C. H. Phillips, Jr., have gone to St. Paul, Minn. Mrs. Phillips will return by way of Chicago.

Rev. C. A. Burkhardt, of Gothic Oklahoma, is in the city on his way back from New York. He will essay the pulpit at the Tabernacle Baptist Sunday.

Mr. Jesus O. Thomas, priest of the Vogrich Normal and Industrial School, Denmark, S. C., passed through the city last week and paid the Argus a visit.

Miss Mamie Hicks, of Oakdale, Calif., is the guest of Mrs. Julia Shipton, 4200 N. Locust. Mrs. Hicks, formerly of St. Louis and was with Mr. and Mrs. Key before her marriage, is the daughter of Mrs. Jessie McElroy.

Mr. Lionel L. Spain, of Jackson, Tenn., was a visitor at the Argus office Thursday evening, June 21.

Mrs. M. M. Waters, of Denver, Colo., is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Arlene Flemming, of Clayton, Mo., for the summer.

Mrs. Chas. H. Sharon, of Slater, Mo., is in the city as the guest of her son and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Sharon, 2518 Baldwin St.

Mr. Wm. Dumford and Miss Clara Ophelia, of 4257 Locust Ave., left Thursday, June 21, for a few weeks' visit at Key West, Fla.

Mrs. Belle Thompson, of 3121 Walnut St., is confined to her home with blood poisoning of the foot. Mrs. Thompson is in a critical condition.

Miss Annie E. McGhee, of Greenwood, S. C., is spending the summer as the guest of her sister and brother, Mr. and Mrs. C. McGhee, of 4351 West Belle Place.

West Belle, entertained with a Viennese dance Thursday evening, June 21, in honor of their sixth anniversary. Refreshments were in abundance.

Mrs. Clara Harris, of Little Rock, Ark., was a visitor in this city a few days ago as the guest of Mrs. Lucy Nelson, 2011 Market Place. Mrs. Harris was enroute to Chicago.

Mrs. C. H. Phillips left the city last Saturday for Chicago. She and her mother will visit St. Paul, Minn., to be the guests of her brother, Dr. Roy French.

Mrs. George Young, who has been ill for the past few weeks, is able to once again. Mrs. Wimie Hart, her mother, who has been at her bedside for the past three weeks, has gone to her home at Salisbury, Md.

Dancing every Wednesday evening at the Cascade Studio. Electric fans have been installed. If you visit this place, you will call again. Miss Lillian Smith serves as hostess and personally looks out for the comfort of each of her patrons.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Whiter, of 3100 Lucas Ave., entertained a few friends in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Walker, of 4150 West Belle. These were twenty-four present and an enjoyable evening was spent.

Miss George Taylor, who is the guest of her brother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Taylor, of No. 9 23rd St., left Thursday morning for Chicago, Ill., on account of the illness of her father.

A reception given Wednesday evening by Miss Edna Boyd, 2222 Ridge Ave., in honor of the ent-out town guests and the college set, was a most striking affair. Among the guests were: Miss Lee, of Boston, and Mr. Pottiford, of Detroit, who is the guest of Miss Margaret Wilkerson, of Cook Ave.

Mrs. Patrick Dutton, of Penn Bluff, Ark., mother of Messrs. Ernest and Dave Pattle, spent Thursday in this city, enroute to Denver, Colo., where she will be the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Julia Higgins, for the summer. Mr. Dennis Higgins, her son-in-law, of Denver, came to St. Louis, to accompany her back west.

Mrs. Humphrey entertained Tuesday evening in honor of Rev. and Mrs. Sheaf. Those present were: Madeline, Vashon, Richardson, Agee, Giles, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Williams, W. G. Mosley, David and Mrs. J. N. Nevin, and Mr. Hill, Compton, Goss, Ottino, Thomas, the Moxes Gossin and their wife. Miss Vandenberg served at the punch bowl.

Mrs. J. M. Bowe, of Camden, Ark., spent several days in the city visiting her daughter and niece, Miss Georgia Bowe, 1616 Elm, Mrs. H. R. Coulter, 4048 West Belmont, and Mrs. Bowe, one of the wealthiest colored business men in the state of Arkansas, and is widely known. Mr. Bowe is a man that one race can appreciate. His daughter is a student if Sunbeam High School.

The Miss-Oklahoma Club held their regular meeting, at the residence of Mrs. H. Dunbar, 4272 Oldfield Ave. The hall was filled, each member was present, and proceeded with their regular work. After the regular hour of procedure, the members were elegantly served, each member responded with a hearty "thank you." The main topic discussed was the economic condition of today. The meeting closed, and each member was presented with a bunch of sweet peas. The next meeting will be with Mrs. R. L. Dickerson, 4267 North Market St., Mrs. L. Tyler, President; Mrs. S. Volar, Mrs. H. Dunbar, Secretary; Mrs. R. L. Dickerson, Reporter.

Mrs. Marie Smith, 4416 St. Ferdinand, died Tuesday, following an operation.

Mrs. Joe B. Jones, 3319 Arsenal, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Joe Roth, in Trenton, Ill.; for a few weeks.

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The beautiful home was exquisitely decorated with Dorothy Perkins and Russell roses, distributed profusely among asparagus ferns and a generous display of national colors.

Exquisite music, bells, reception and dining room added to the atmosphere.

In the receiving room the honorees, introduced by their parents and Mrs. Isabella Berryman, Mrs. Ruth Davis-Jones, also assisting. The young couple were showered with congratulations and were the recipients of many handsome presents. Refreshments were served in the entertainment by Mrs. Ruth Anderson and Miss Abby Simms. Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Howland, of Hermann, Mo., were among the out-of-towners guests. Prof. and Mrs. Wilson will spend the summer with their parents.

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Rector, Mrs. J. D. Duke, Secretary, G. Daniehl.

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TEXAS E. OF P. & F. ELECT OFFICERS

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For the first time, however, the Grand Council of Colonels helped in the election, and Mrs. A. D. Keys was elected for another year. It is all but decreed that she shall hold the position during her life, and no one ever overcame it for her. She is considered one of the best women in Texas.

The first division of the history of Texas in the grand chancellorship of the Knights of Pythias was the most remarkable of today. The main topic discussed was the economic condition of today.

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IN MEMORIAM

In loving remembrance of our dear Archibald McLoyd, who departed this life June 20, 1915.

The month of June is here.

To us the saddest in the year;

Because it took from us away;

Our loving soul now at rest,

His loving soul now at rest;

When we look him we think him least,

When we meet dear Archibald,

None sweet day when your soul reaches home.

Sadly missed by Esther, mother, six brothers and sister.

Signed.

Mr. and Mrs. H. N. McKinley.

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of my dear daughter, Cordelia Streeter, who passed away June 24, 1914.

She suddenly was called away.

To leave this world of sorrow,

With us she could no longer stay,

Not even till tomorrow.

How sweet be thy rest, dear daughter,

"To sleep, to breath, thy name is life,

As we love you dearly,

In death we do the same.

Baldly missed by your dear mother and brothers, Anna, Hampton, Willie and Robert, Hampton.

John and Mary, Hampton.

